



Transfer to the 5-card major and then bid your second suit – game forcing

***What do I do if I have a 6-card major and enough for game?***

You can transfer then bid game or use Texas transfers – transfer at the four level then pass

***What if I have a long minor suit?***

Can use minor suit transfers i.e. spades to clubs and NT/clubs to diamonds

**Or** can you 2S to show weak hand with a long at least 6 card minor.

Bid 2S asking partner to bid 3C, pass or correct. If your suit is clubs pass but if its D correct to diamonds

***Transfers after interference – on or off?*** Most partnerships play transfers are OFF after an intervening bid by the opposition.

**With unbalanced hand – three level bids by responder**

A jump response at the 3 level shows a 6+-card suit and is game force with slam interest – otherwise would transfer and then bid game.

## **Stayman**

Use Stayman with invitational hand (8-9 HCP) or better and at least 1 four-card major.

Use even with a balanced hand as a 4-4 major suit fit is likely to make one more trick than NT (but with 4333 prefer to play in NT)

### **Replies to 2C**

2D = no 4-card major

2H = 4 H, maybe 4 S

2S = 4S, not 4H

*There is no 2NT response.*

If opener bids 2D or the major you don't have, rebid 2NT showing 8-9HCP or 3NT with game values.

***What if opener has two 4-card majors?***

Bid the cheaper major. A response of 2H promises 4 H but doesn't deny 4S. If responder rebids NT you know they have 4-card spade suit.

***Stayman on strong unbalanced hands***

1NT – 2C

2H – 3D

Shows 4 spades and 5+D with slam interest.